

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:

receiving information for transmission to a receiver; and

generating a plurality of sub-carriers to redundantly transmit the information over a multi-carrier wireless communication channel, wherein each of the sub-carriers is to be transmitted over an array of two or more antenna, wherein each of the sub-carriers is modified by a set of complex weights to ensure that each of the sub-carriers of the wireless communication channel propagates along a different physical path to the receiver, wherein the set of complex weights used to modify each of the sub-carriers includes different weights for each of the two or more antenna of the array.

2. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 1, wherein each element of the set of complex weights scales one or more of a sub-carriers amplitude and phase at an associated transmission antenna.

3. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 1, further comprising developing a set of complex weights including:

choosing substantially different weights for each sub-carrier sharing information; and

iteratively repeating until all sub-carriers have been modified.

4. (Original) A method according to claim 3, wherein the substantially different weights are chosen to be orthogonal to the others.

5. (Original) A method according to claim 3, wherein developing a set of complex weights comprises:

selecting weight vector(s) to be applied to each of the sub-carriers from a pre-determined set of weight vectors.

6. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 1, further comprising:

transmitting the modified sub-carriers ~~through one or more antenna(e) to the receiver.~~

7. (Currently Amended) A transceiver comprising:

a diversity agent, operable to selectively ~~develop~~ and apply a set of complex weight values to each of a plurality of signals, each corresponding to a sub-carrier of a multi-carrier communication channel, to introduce spatial diversity between such sub-carriers; and

a transmit module, coupled with the diversity agent, operable to receive the modified sub-carriers and transmit the signals to generate the multi-carrier communication channel with intra-channel spatial diversity, wherein each of the set of complex weight values include a plurality of weight values each associated with a different one of a plurality of antennae of an antenna array through which the sub-carriers are transmitted.

8. (Previously Presented) A transceiver according to claim 7, wherein the plurality of signals are baseband signals.

9. (Original) A transceiver according to claim 7, wherein the multi-carrier communication channel is comprised of a plurality of sub-carrier signals, each having a disparate set of complex weights introduced at a baseband of the sub-carriers to effect the spatial diversity between the sub-carriers.

10. (Cancelled)

11. (Currently Amended) A transceiver according to claim ~~[[10]]~~ 7, wherein the ~~diversity agent transceiver develops~~ is operable to develop the set of complex weight values for a given baseband signal to be maximally orthogonal complex weight values applied to another baseband signal.

12. (Currently Amended) A transceiver according to claim ~~[[10]]~~ 7, wherein the ~~diversity agent transceiver~~ is operable to develop a set of complex weight vectors for a sub-carrier that are substantially different from weight vectors modifying other sub-carriers that include at least a subset of information carried by the sub-carrier.

13. (Previously Presented) A transceiver according to claim 7, wherein the transmit module is operable to upconvert and amplify each of the modified baseband signals to generate a plurality of spatially diverse sub-carriers.

14. (Previously Presented) A transceiver according to claim 13, wherein the transmit module is operable to transmit each of the sub-carriers to one or more receiver(s).

15. (Previously Presented) A transceiver according to claim 7, further comprising:

a memory operable to store content; and

control logic, coupled to the memory, operable to access and process at least a subset of the content to implement the diversity agent.

16. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the multi-carrier wireless communication channel uses Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing (OFDM).

17. (Currently Amended) The transceiver of claim 7, wherein the multi-carrier ~~wireless~~ communication channel uses Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing (OFDM).

18. (Previously Presented) The transceiver of claim 7, wherein the transceiver is selected from a basestation and a wireless telephony subscriber unit.

19. (Currently Amended) The transceiver of claim 7, wherein the ~~diversity agent~~ transceiver develops the set of complex weights to have inter-channel spatial diversity with respect to at least one communication channel of at least one other transceiver.

20. (Currently Amended) A subscriber unit comprising:

a diversity agent, operable to selectively ~~develop and~~ apply a ~~[[set]]~~ vector of complex weight values to each of a plurality of signals, each corresponding to a sub-carrier of a multi-carrier communication channel, to introduce spatial diversity between such sub-carriers, wherein the vector of complex weight values applied to each signal includes a plurality of different complex weight values, and wherein each of the different complex weight values is operable to modify both an amplitude and a phase of a respective signal;
and

a transmit module, coupled with the diversity agent, operable to receive the modified sub-carriers and transmit the signals to generate the multi-carrier communication channel with intra-channel spatial diversity.

21. (Previously Presented) A transceiver according to claim 7, wherein each of the set of complex weight values are comprised of a plurality of weight values each associated with one of a plurality of antennae comprising an antenna array through which the sub-carriers are transmitted.

22. (New) A device comprising:

a diversity agent, operable to selectively apply a vector of complex weight values to each of a plurality of signals, each corresponding to a sub-carrier of a multi-carrier communication channel, to introduce spatial diversity between such sub-carriers, wherein the vector of complex weight values applied to each signal includes a plurality of different complex weight values, and wherein each of the different complex weight values is operable to modify both an amplitude and a phase of a respective signal; and

a transmit module, coupled with the diversity agent, operable to receive the modified sub-carriers and transmit the signals to generate the multi-carrier communication channel with intra-channel spatial diversity.